

fashion

four women one outfit

Classics from the mall never looked better. Four **more** readers try an Eileen Fisher wool bouclé jacket (\$188), Gap cotton cardigan (\$38), French Connection stretch sweater (\$58), Ann Taylor wool-crepe pants (\$119), Kenneth Cole New York boots (\$175) and Cole Haan tote (\$295).

—By Gail Gruber



SCARLETT DEBEASE, 44

makeup artist;
married, two children

The jacket?

"A fun investment piece that will last for years. Since it's boxy, I'd wear it open to show my shape."

The tops?

"I'm more comfortable in looser sweaters—they're less restricting, easier to move in."

The pants?

"So comfortable! Perfect for a casual workday, or even dressed up with pumps, a black shell and pearls."

The boots? bag?

"The color of the boots is too limiting. I'd buy the bag—but in black."

GISELLE, 46

hair colorist;
single, no children

"Pumpkin is surprisingly easy to wear. Wish it wasn't so boxy, but the stand-up collar does give it a modern look."

"I'm always looking for that perfect-fitting, distinctive, off-white pullover that layers well and lights up my skin."

"Not my style. I can't get enough of the trendier bootleg-cut pants that get me through the seasons."

"I need boots I can stand in. These fit the bill! But I carry vintage bags or a backpack."

SHELLY CHEEK, 42

receptionist;
divorced, one child

"The oversized orange buttons are a fun update to a plain zipper. I'd buy it to wear on weekends."

"I avoid V-necks in favor of crews or cardigans. I usually buy twinsets for versatility."

"I can always count on Ann Taylor for pants that work for tall people. Glad these sit on the waist, not the hips."

"Mid-calf boots don't peek out under pants. Beautiful bag—but I prefer one that closes."

BEVERLY LYONS, 47

corporate gift consultant;
single, no children

"This jacket length is great for getting in and out of the car. I'd wear this instead of a suit jacket for a softer, newer look."

"Both are nice, but I wouldn't layer two long-sleeved pieces—too hot!"

"A tri-seasonal style that perfectly fits my curvy body—how could I not buy them?"

"Finally—affordable boots for white pants! But I need a bag with a long shoulder strap."